

Wednesday Morning, October 1, 1862.

F. O. J. Smith, Editor, vs. F. O. J. Smith the Declarer.

In the Portland Advertiser of Sept. 24th, the editor of that paper, Hon. F. O. J. Smith, said:

The whole theory of proclaiming freedom to the slaves in the rebel States is against the acknowledged rules of civilized warfare. No act of Congress, and judgment of the Executive can impress it with the nature of a "military necessity."

There can be no such thing as a military necessity, on the part of the Federal Government, for destroying any State Constitution, or any State institution. When the Federal Government yields to the destruction of either, through weakness or revenge, it yields to a spirit of revolution.

Very much more to the same purpose might be quoted from Mr. Smith, the editor, but we turn to Mr. Smith, the declarer. In the old City Hall in this city, subsequent to the assault upon Charles Sumner by Preston Brooks, of South Carolina, an indignation meeting was held. Among the speakers was Hon. F. O. J. Smith. We have not a report of that meeting before us, but think the files of the Advertiser will show the words then put into the mouth of the Honorable Speaker. A gentleman of this city, a clergyman of the highest respectability, has written the following sentence, and says he will make affidavit that Mr. Smith uttered the precise sentiment the words express, and in almost precisely, if not exactly the same language. Mr. Smith said, referring to the Brooks outrage upon Sumner:

This insolence of Southern slaveholders has been tolerated too long already, and if it is continued, we will march an army down to the line, and say to the three-and-a-half millions of slaves, "STRIKE FOR US FREEDOM, FOR WE HAVE COME TO HELP YOU!"

We ask the candid reader to put that and that together; to compare the editor with the declarer; to decide with what consistency a man who has proclaimed the doctrine involved in his Old City Hall speech, can deny the right or the authority of the Federal Government, when Southern slaveholders are laboring to strangle the goddess of Liberty in her own chosen temple, to "proclaim freedom to the slaves in the rebel States," or to urge them to strike for their freedom, pledging them aid and secure and maintain it.

Mr. Ebenezer Sweet of Brunswick, well known to every college boy of the last twenty-five years. He is a provision dealer in that town, and is familiarly known as "Knight of the Cleaver and Professor of Grease." What he don't know about the good points of an ox, or of his good cuts after shuffling off his mortal coil, is not worth knowing. Mr. Sweet is a member of Col. Fessenden's regiment, at Camp Abraham Lincoln, and has been, in the absence of a regular Quartermaster, detailed by Col. F. to make examination of the subsistence stores, particularly the meats, furnished for the regiment. We understand that the "Knight" is disposed to make thorough work, and the way he has thrown out bloody necks and shiny shanks from reputed "meat," has created a panic among the butchers all around to that at Bull Run No. one. Mr. Sweet informs us that while the government pays for the best, and while the contractors have bargained for and intend to supply the best, the butchers have been crowding upon the soldiers a lot of the merest apology for a good article, of so poor a quality and so badly cured that men would run the risk of their lives to subsist upon it. He has put his foot down and "set up his Ebenezer," and swears by the memories of his old "Cleaver" that he will follow his labors or his Colonel shall depose him from his position as Inspector.

The Advertiser has taken up the "Argus" motto, "The constitution is it and the Union as it was." The editor of the Advertiser, like the Argus, long since the rebellion was inaugurated by the secession of several of the southern states, took decided ground against "the constitution as it is," and demanded that it should be changed so as to give slavery additional guarantees, by the adoption of the proposed Crittenden compromise, and it was only when he and it discovered that no such alteration could be made, and that slavery had gone to the extreme limit of its chain in the way of extension and political power, that they commenced to clamor for "the constitution as it is." Give them the slightest ground to hope that the constitution may be changed in favor of slavery, so as to add strength to that accursed institution, and quicker than lightning both of them will cease their present clamor, and demand the change. It is slavery and not freedom—despotism and not liberty, of which they are the guardians, and to conserve and protect which they show the most solicitude.

On Dr. Monday last, in the cars between Brunswick and this city, we fell in with an adamant Democrat, from Knox county who was one of the supporters of Breckinridge in '60, of Dana in '61, and of Bradbury in '62. He informed us in all sincerity, and as though the matter was the least, that Hon. F. O. J. Smith is to be the U. S. Senatorial candidate against Hon. Lot M. Morrill, in the next Legislature; that Smith calculates upon having the support of a large number of conservative Republican members, while the Democrats will vote for him to a man! This may account for the milk in the recent columns of the Advertiser. That Smith can get the support of the Democrats is possible—not of such men as Blake and Peters, however; but it will be interesting to know who are the Republicans that will vote for him.

It may be safely concluded, therefore, that the rebel army that will vote for him represented in the U. S. Senate by the advocate of South Carolina doctrines as have recently appeared in the columns of that paper.

No person can fail to notice, who daily pursues the two anti-administration organs in this city, that they spend very much more time in fighting abolition than in fighting rebellion; that their hardest sayings are reserved for those who prefer a saved Union without slavery to slavery without a Union, while for rebels in arms they have very few railing accusations; that all their solicitation seems to be absorbed for the preservation of the "rights of rebels," while the rights of loyal men to put down rebellion at any and all hazards, are scarcely alluded to, and that their whole tone, spirit and influence are adverse to such a vigorous prosecution of the war as the Government seems to have determined upon, and in favor of such a scrupulous regard for the constitutional rights of those who have sprung the constitution and denied its authority over them, as will paralyze every vigorous movement, and prolong the struggle indefinitely.

MUSICAL FESTIVAL. The 15th session of the Penobscot Musical Association will commence at Norumbega Hall, Bangor, Tuesday, Oct. 14th, and will continue four days. It will be under the direction of Leonard Marshall, Esq., of Boston. There is no mistake about the sessions of this Association. They are, in every sense of the word, musical festivals, and the Bangor people know well how to carry them out in the handsomest manner.

For the Portland Daily Press.
Exhibition at the Eaton Boarding School at Kent's Hill.

Editors of Daily Press:—As matters referring to educational institutions are usually acceptable to the editor, I take this opportunity to give you a short account of the exercises at the annual exhibition of the Eaton Boarding School for Boys, held on Thursday evening, 29th inst.

The exercises were held at the new and spacious hall at Readfield, known as Giles' Hall, which has been fitted up expressly for exhibition purposes, and whose accommodations on this occasion were peculiarly fitting. The procession, composed of the scholars, parents, and visiting friends, headed by the Mt. Vernon Cornet Band, formed at the school premises at Kent's Hill, and proceeded to the hall, which was crowded, even to overflowing. Many speculations had been raised previous to the evening, doubting that a full attendance as usual would be had on this occasion; which, doubtless, were caused by the hardness of the times, and the admission fee which was charged for the sick and wounded soldiers. But these speculations were, as I have before stated, set at naught, and the result was that about forty dollars were procured for the laudable purpose above stated.

The exercises at the hall consisted mainly of declamations, agreeably interspersed with music from the Band, with an occasional well selected, and also well acted dialogue, to prevent monotony, and please both eye and ear. The declamations, consisting of varied and carefully selected subjects, were given in that easy, graceful, but also energetic style so peculiar to the excellent instruction received in this branch at this school. There was no awkwardness displayed even by the youngest—those who might reasonably be expected to be disturbed (as is usually the case) by being placed before a large and mixed audience, such as was congregated here, every word and every motion displayed careful training, without the fetters generally caused by it.

The reputation gained by this school in its exhibitions of former years was fully supported, and perhaps strengthened here. The only drawback and cause of ill feelings upon the occasion, was the dense crowd present, which you know, like all other crowds, in its kindness gave every one a squeeze.

The prizes awarded by the various committees were as follows:
For best spelling, 1st Class—Costello Weston, Kent's Hill.
For best spelling, 2d Class—Charles Faunce, Fayette.
For penmanship, Lewis W. Mitchell, Portland.
For best composition, Costello Weston, Kent's Hill.For best declamation, two equal prizes were given to Walter Underwood, of Boston, Mass., and Fred A. Libby, of Portland.
These were received by the deserving scholars with due grace and fully acknowledged. After these were bestowed, the exercises closed with a national air from the band, and three rousing cheers from the audiences, for "God and our native land!" V. H. B. P.Letter from near Washington.
HEAD QUARTERS,
17th REGIMENT MAINE VOLUNTEERS,
Fort Carroll, D. C., Sept. 23, '62.A general Court Martial for "Woodbury's Brigade" has been convened in Washington, composed of the following members:
Lieut. Col. Charles B. Merrill, 17th Maine Regiment Volunteers, President.
Major Fred E. Embick, 50th N. Y. Engineers.Capt. Edwin B. Wright, 24th Michigan Vols.
" Isaac W. Ingersoll, 17th " "
" Augustus Goldman, 17th " "
" Isaac W. Faunce, 19th " "
" Charles H. Rowell, 19th " "
1st Lt. Charles A. Hoyt, 24th Mich. "
" Benjamin J. Ames, 17th Me. "
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" David E. Parsons, 19th Me. "SUPERVISOR EMBICKS.
1st Lt. John Millard Farland, 24th Mich. "
" Dudley Johnson, 17th Me. "
" William Clements, 19th " "
Capt. Sewall Sergeant, 15th N. Y. Engineers, Judge Advocate.The following list of "accidents" to members of the "17th" may not be devoid of interest to some of your readers:
Cornelius Boyle, "Co. A," Portland, shot through right index finger; amputation, now doing well.
Charles Noyes, Co. H, Sacarapa, pistol shot through left lung; doing well, but will probably be discharged from service.
Alexander Campbell, Co. C, shot through the thigh; will get well without amputation.
Elma Hackett, Co. C, fell from a tree, with an axe in his hand, thumb and index finger cut off—doing well.William Gould, Co. K, thrown from wagon, forearm broken.
Second Assistant Surgeon Ingalls has arrived, and we now have the very best Medical Board of any Maine Regiment.
Dr. Wiggins is a host in himself, and with his Assistants, Wescott and Ingalls, will do honor to the "Med Fac" of our State.Lieut. George W. S. Fickett.
PORT CARROLL, Headquarters Me. 17th, Sept. 25, 1862.
MESSRS. EDITORS:—I have the sadness to record the death of this gallant young officer, of Cape Elizabeth, Co. E, Capt. Sawyer. Unwell nearly the whole time since his arrival in this climate; about a week ago his symptoms assumed the form of typhoid fever, when he was removed to the Hospital, and every possible attention of medical skill and kind nursing was bestowed, but all in vain. Last evening at 10 o'clock, Sept. 24th, his spirit took its departure for the land of peace and rest. His funeral services at the hospital took place to-day, at 9 o'clock P. M. His body is sent to Washington to be embalmed, and thence to be sent to the bereaved home-circle.

This coming among us for the first time, we feel that the death angel has indeed chosen a shining mark. Mr. Fickett was a young man of patriotic moral integrity, inspired with a true patriot's love, and commanded universal esteem. His whole heart was enlisted in our country's cause. At the time I made his acquaintance in Camp King, it seemed there was a rival for his position in the 17th. In speaking with him he remarked: "My heart is with the regiment, and I shall go—if not as Lieutenant then as private." Active, earnest, always at his post, his spirit, but brilliant career shows how well qualified he was for his position. The Lord comfort and bless his many mourning friends.

"Away from his home, and the friends of his youth, He heaved the herald of mercy and truth; For the love of his Lord, and to seek for the lost; Soon, alas, was his fall; but he died at his post."

The stranger's eye wept that in life's bright bloom, One gifted soul so lightly should sink to the tomb; For in order he led in the van of the host, And he fell like a soldier; he died at his post. H. H.

Chaplain 17th Reg. Me. Vols.

ORIGINAL AND SELECTED

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